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Staff Assembly News

UCD Picnic with the River Cats-New More Affordable Options!

Staff Assembly is pleased to announce that we have more affordable ticket options for our UC Davis Family Picnic at the Sacramento River Cats game!

New Features:

- We have eliminated our \$5 per ticket Staff Dependent Scholarship fundraiser so that the tickets are less expensive.
- We have added lawn seat options and children's ticket prices
- You can even purchase lawn tickets without the all-you-can-eat barbecue. (However, no one without a barbecue ticket will be allowed in the barbeque area, so families would need to coordinate this if they wanted the adults to eat in the BBQ area.)
- **We have extended the ticket order deadline to 5 p.m. Aug. 11.**

New Seating Options and Prices are as follows:

- **Seats in the Gold Rush section, with the all-you-can-eat barbecue included —** \$30 for adults, \$27 for children ages 2 to 10.
- **Lawn seating, with the all-you-can-eat barbecue included —** \$25 for adults, \$22 for children ages 2 to 10.
- **Lawn seating, without barbecue —** \$7.
- **Children up to 23 months old —** Free.
- **Optional Kids Corner Play Area —** \$5

UC Davis Family Picnic is on Sunday, Aug. 29, when the River Cats take on the Fresno Grizzlies in a Pacific Coast League (Triple A) matchup at 1:05 p.m. The barbeque is from 12:00-2:00pm. This event is open to all UC Davis and UCD Health Center Affiliates, plus their friends and families.

Picnic Menu:

- Hamburgers
- Raley Field Hot Dogs
- Mac and Cheese
- Fresh Watermelon Slices
- Potato Chips
- One non-alcoholic beverage, and condiments and fixins!

Every ticket purchased will be entered to win the first pitch, and we will have other raffle giveaways as well!

More info about "Kids Day"

- Our Picnic is on Kid's Day. There will be lots of free kid's activities. These activities will include face painters, balloon makers, and magicians on the concourse. Kids will get to run the bases after the game and can get player autographs!
- The Coca-Cola Kids Corner is an area that you can purchase a wristband for. The wristband is \$5 per child in advance, or \$10 on the day of the game. The area is down the right field line and includes items like an obstacle course, sandbox, slides, speed pitch, and bounce house, open during the entire game.

[Click here for the Ticket Order Form.](#) If you have any questions, please contact Tiva Lasiter, Staff Assembly Coordinator, at (530) 752-0988 or tlasiter@ucdavis.edu.

New Pin Partners!

UC Davis Staff Assembly Pin Partners

- 3rd and U Café
- AAA
- Balance Point Pilates Studio
- The California Aggie
- The California Museum
- Davis Food Co-op
- Davis Life Magazine
- **Dos Coyotes, Davis (NEW!)**
- Edible Arrangements
- Explorit Science Center
- Fenton's Creamery
- NE Sacramento Holiday Inn
- Kaplan Test Prep
- Outdoor Davis
- One-on-One Tutoring
- Spa Central
- Steve's Pizza
- University Dining Commons
- V.I.P. Studios

How do I get a Staff Pin?

Did you know that your purchase of a \$5.00 Staff Pin supports our funding for the Staff Dependent Scholarship Program? Support staff dependents reaching their educational goals and get great

Staff Assembly has revamped our Pin Partner application and our Scholarship Donation Form to make it easier for businesses to partner with us! We have several new Pin Partners that will be announced soon.

Our brand new Pin Partner is [Dos Coyotes Border Café](#) in North Davis and South Davis. They now offer a 10% discount on your purchase with your Staff Pin!

We have also created Pin Partner Certificates for our partners, and we are busy delivering them. Look for the Pin Partner Certificate popping up in local businesses and make sure to have your Staff Pin with you to get your discount.

The [Davis Food Co-op](#) has released their summer quarter coupon which allows Staff Pin Holders to receive an exclusive *one time per quarter* discount of 10% off their entire shopping trip. To redeem the coupon just print it out, and bring the coupon and your Staff Pin with you—you need both the printed coupon and your Staff Pin to redeem this once per quarter discount. [Click here to print out the Exclusive Pin Holder coupon.](#) (This offer cannot be combined with any other offers. At the Davis Food Co-op, the listed price is the member price. Members receive 10% off the listed price, and non-members receive the member price plus an additional 5% discount.) The Co-op also offers Staff Pin Holders 10% off of cooking classes! We are so happy to offer this great resource to our Staff Pin Partners!

Upgrade to Passphrase

Upgrade your Kerberos password to a passphrase today. Kerberos password expirations begin in October 2010. Upgrading now may help you avoid losing access to your account in the fall, receive faster personalized assistance in case you need help creating your new passphrase or resetting an old forgotten password and adapt to the new passphrase before the hub-bub of the new academic year begins! See <http://security.ucdavis.edu/passphrase.cfm> for more information.

Campus News & Events

Save Money & Share the Ride. Join the goClub.

goCarpool & goVanpool

Sharing the ride can save you hundreds of dollars per year. **A campus carpool parking permit alone will save you as much as \$432/year**, not to mention savings on your gas and car maintenance.

Finding a carpool or vanpool partner is easy and free with Zimride, the UC Davis private network for ridesharing. Log on at <http://zimride.ucdavis.edu>.

Seats currently available on two UC Davis vanpools:

Fairfield to Davis & El Cerrito to Davis

Visit <http://goclub.ucdavis.edu/van/> to learn more.

goBus & goTrain

Give up your parking permit and TAPS will give you a \$23.00 subsidy toward your monthly bus or train pass.

goBike & goWalk

Save money, reduce stress, and take advantage of goClub benefits such as access to ARC shower & locker facilities!

goClub benefits

As a goClub member, you will receive additional benefits such as complimentary parking permits for the days you are unable to share the ride, access to Emergency Ride Home Programs, and eligibility for prize drawings.

Join Today. <http://goclub.ucdavis.edu>

July Classes to Consider

Staff Development and Professional Services invites you to enroll in summer classes. On July 21st **Adult CPR-AED** training will be held from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 at 130 Hoagland Hall. At the end of the course, participants will receive a certificate

discounts from area businesses! It's a win-win situation!

To purchase a Staff Pin, send a \$5 check payable UC Regents to:

UC Davis Staff Assembly, HR Admin
Building, One Shields Ave., Davis, CA
95616

Please include your name and department or address so your pin can be mailed to you.

(Retirees and UCDHS Staff can buy Staff Pins too!)

REGISTER YOUR STAFF PIN to receive updates on Staff Pin discounts!

To Register your pin, email listproc@ucdavis.edu. Leave the subject blank and in the body simply type:
sub Staffpin YourFirstName YourLastName
and press send.

Mushrooms Are for Lunch Study for Men & Women

USDA, ARS Western Human Nutrition Research Center invites healthy men and women, ages 20 - 59 years, to participate in a 42 day study with **daily** study visits at lunch-time on the UC Davis campus.

We hope to learn if mushrooms treated with ultraviolet (UV) light to increase their vitamin D2 content are actually a good source of vitamin D when consumed daily with a meal (lunch).

Volunteers must **not** be regularly consuming vitamin D fortified foods (e.g. soy milk, UV treated mushrooms, or shitake mushrooms), or taking dietary supplements containing vitamin D. Volunteers must be willing and able to come to the research center (WHNRC) on the UC Davis campus for 1 screening and 3 study visits that require blood draws, and be able to come to the WHNRC for lunch every week day for six consecutive weeks. Volunteers must be able to consume the study meals (lunches) at home on the weekends.

For more information, call (530) 752-5177 and Press # 1 or visit our website:
<http://www.ars.usda.gov/Main/docs.htm?docid=11240>

from American Red Cross. This class is listed under Environmental and Occupational Safety in the SDPS catalog.

Intercultural Selection Processes class will be held on July 28th at the Hamilton Room of the Heitman Staff Learning Center from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00. Facilitators are Binnie Singh, Director of Faculty Relations and Development and Mikael Villalobos, Administrator of Diversity Education. Managers are encouraged to attend and develop skills to help respond to the needs of a multicultural workforce.

Hands-on computer courses are also available in 268 Hoagland Hall from 8:30 until 3:30 on the following dates:

Excel 2007: Level 1--July 22

Access 2007: Level 1—July 27 & 28

Word 2007: Level 1—July 29

For more information about either of these sessions, contact Staff Development at 530-752-1766 or email sdps@ucdavis.edu. Enroll on-line at: <http://lms.ucdavis.edu>.

Shop at the Bargain Barn and Save Money, Save the Planet, and Buy Cool Stuff!

Come one, come all, to the greatest re-use show on earth...the UC Davis Bargain Barn! Did you know the Bargain Barn helps support campus sustainability by diverting approximately 8,000 items from the landfill? We take in excess equipment and supplies from campus departments and sell them to other departments, and to the general public. We even have a 'free to departments' shelf with miscellaneous supplies such as binders, file folders, paperclips, and even telephones and adding machines!

Sometimes it feels like a three ring circus over here... You never know what you might find! We sell everything from office furniture, lab equipment, computers, microscopes, DVD players, TV's, bunk beds, and more! Recently we even sold a BMW motorcycle, 400 bales of hay, buses, musical instruments, and a CT scanner!

In addition to selling reusable items, we also provide salvage and recycling services for all unmarketable equipment and supplies, including all e-waste. Each year we recycle approximately 97 tons of Covered Electronic Devices.

We're open for retail sales M-F, 9-1. Visit our website at <http://bargainbarn.ucdavis.edu> to see what's for sale, and how it can be yours.

News from the Market Garden

These days most agricultural majors at UC Davis do not grow up on a farm. Consequently, they usually lack the hands-on farming experience and knowledge that can provide an important background to both the agricultural classes they take at UC Davis and their research projects. The Market Garden at the UC Davis Student Farm (part of the Agricultural Sustainability Institute) offers a substitute for growing up on a farm.

The Market Garden is an organic vegetable production farm that provides students with experiential learning opportunities in ground preparation, soil fertility, transplant production, direct seeding, pest control, irrigation, harvesting and sales. Students can participate as volunteers, do internships for credit, or enroll in PLS 49, Organic Production Practices in either the Spring or Fall Quarters. Experienced students are often hired as student employees.

The main sales method used by the Market Garden is the CSA, which stands for Community Supported Agriculture. CSAs are a form of direct marketing where customers buy "shares" in the farm and receive a weekly basket of produce in return. The "Student Harvest CSA", as it is called, provides 65 baskets/week to members of the campus community. Membership in the CSA remains popular, and there is a waiting list for those wanting to join.

This summer, students are helping to grow sweet corn, tomatoes, melons, eggplant, okra, peppers, basil, chard, parsley, winter squash, cucumbers, popcorn, green beans, summer squash, and more. They work hard keeping the CSA baskets filled,

and learn a lot about farming, including that there are a lot good things eat all summer long.

Raoul Adamchak is the farmer at the Market Garden.
Mark Van Horn is the director of the Student Farm.

Learn more at: <http://studentfarm.ucdavis.edu/internships/market-garden>

Discounts

Staff Pin Program (Discounts Available Exclusively to Pin Holders)

Through our Staff Pin Program, we partner with local and national businesses to offer staff great discounts! When you purchase and wear your Staff Pin, you become eligible for discounts and special functions exclusively for pin holders! The proceeds from the sales of our Staff Pins directly fund our staff dependent scholarship program as well! We are currently working with local businesses to get you even more discounts, so keep checking back for updates! We invite you to buy a pin today, support our Scholarship Program for Staff Dependents, and start saving!

We are pleased to announce our newest Pin Partner, Dos Coyotes Boarder Café in North Davis and South Davis!

Dos Coyotes Davis locations now offer all Staff Pin holders a 10% discount when you show your Staff Pin!

Corporate Discounts (Available to all UC Davis Staff)

We have obtained discount offers for all UC Davis staff on food, electronics, entertainment, and special occasions. We also have lots of summer fun discounts, such as Six Flags, Great America, Golfland, Disneyland, and more, just click "entertainment."

Guidelines for Article Submissions

To submit an article for the next Staff Voice, please email staffvoice@ucdavis.edu. All articles must be proofed for spelling, grammar, punctuation, capitalization and sentence structure. The Staff Voice team is not responsible for errors. Articles must be limited to 200 words, or 1000 characters, not including spaces. Articles must contain a title, contact information and a URL, if applicable. Articles must be related to UC Davis staff and be an original piece. Staff Assembly reserves the right to determine the appropriateness of articles submitted for publication. We also reserve the right to edit submissions. **Articles must be submitted by 3pm on the Friday prior to the next publication date.** The 2009 - 2010 Publication Calendar is available at http://staff.ucdavis.edu/News/publication_calendar_thru_1_2011.pdf.

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